

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Docket No. _____

Petition of Green Mountain Power)
Corporation (GMP) for a Certificate of Public)
Good pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 248)
authorizing: the reconstruction of the GMP)
Woodford Road substation, including the)
replacement of existing enclosed switchgear)
with open air distribution bays of steel, and)
associated upgrades including oil)
containment, bus work, breakers with)
microprocessor-based relays, battery system,)
and a control house, in Bennington, Vermont)

PETITION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC GOOD
PURSUANT TO 30 V.S.A. §248

By this Petition, Green Mountain Power Corporation (“GMP” or the “Company”) requests that the Public Service Board (the “Board”) issue the Company a Certificate of Public Good (“CPG”) pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 248, for its proposal to reconstruct the GMP Woodford Road substation, including the replacement of existing enclosed switchgear with open air distribution bays of steel, and associated upgrades including oil containment, bus work, breakers with microprocessor-based relays, battery system, and a control house, in Bennington, Vermont (the “Project”). In support of this Petition GMP represents:

1. GMP is a duly organized public service company with principal place of business at 163 Acorn Lane, Colchester, Vermont, and as such is subject to the Board’s jurisdiction pursuant to § 203 of Title 30.

2. Construction of electric transmission facilities requires a CPG pursuant to 30

V.S.A. § 248.

3. The Company proposes to reconstruct the GMP Woodford Road substation, including the replacement of existing enclosed switchgear with open air distribution bays of steel, and associated upgrades including oil containment, bus work, breakers with microprocessor-based relays, a battery system, and a control house in Bennington, Vermont.

4. The proposed Project meets the criteria established by 30 V.S.A. § 248, including the environmental criteria incorporated from 10 V.S.A § 6086(a) pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 248(b)(5), and therefore warrants that the Board make the findings requisite to the issuance of a CPG.

5. By ensuring reliable service to the Company's customers, the proposed reconstruction Project as described herein and in GMP's supporting testimony and exhibits will promote the general good of the State of Vermont.

In support of this Petition, GMP submits prefiled testimony and exhibits sponsored by the following witnesses:

<u>Witnesses</u>	<u>Subject</u>
John R. Fiske	Describes the physical modifications to the substation, Project cost, and impact on system stability and reliability.
Kim L. Jones, P.E.	Describes the need for the Project; economic impacts; impact on system planning; and effect on existing and planned transmission facilities.
Timothy O. Upton	Explains the environmental impacts of the proposal.

WHEREFORE, the Company respectfully requests that the Board:

- (1) Schedule such hearings and issue such notice as is required pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 248;
- (2) Make findings as required by 30 V.S.A. §248;
- (4) Find that the proposed project will promote the general good of the State of Vermont, and authorize GMP to undertake the actions as described herein and in its testimony and exhibits;
- (5) Issue a Certificate of Public Good to that effect; and
- (6) Issue any further relief as the Board deems just and proper.

DATED at Benson, Vermont this 19th day of February, 2013.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

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CORPORATION

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